

Americans Near Ferryville

Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

ALEX. H. WASHBURN

Progress of the War

Thrust Against Italy or Spain?

How long will the war last? I overheard a couple of men discussing this point in a restaurant. They probably had all the facts you and I have, and their conclusion went as far as human logic permits. Said one man:

Struggle for Big Kuban Delta Is in Full Swing

Europe

By EDDY GILMORE
Moscow, May 4 (P)—The battle for the Kuban delta, an area reaching roughly from Novorossiisk on the Black Sea northward to the Sea of Azov, is in full swing and it is unlikely this is the beginning of the great struggle of the summer.

Both sides apparently fought behind strong fortifications and managed to hold their ground positions without change in the last few days but a fast dispatch from the air base west of Krasnodar, with the Soviet airmen striking down 54 of their own in two days.

This was the second time that the Germans have attempted to strike at the Krasnodar region since the resumption of spirited warfare in the Kuban — and this campaign finds Soviet aviation able to meet every challenge of the German air force, with American-made planes carrying their load in the still indecisive fighting.

There was increased activity in other sectors of the front, with the Russian air force making itself felt by raids on German communications and airfields.

The Russian midday communiqué as recorded in London by the Soviet radio monitor from a Moscow broadcast did not mention any fighting in the Kuban during the night, although the midday communiqué had told of 300 more Germans being slain in violent fighting, bringing their toll to nearly 8,000 in recent days.

The German communiqué, as broadcast by the Berlin radio and recorded by the Associated Press, asserted that the Soviet Armies continued to attack the Axis Kuban bridgehead heavily but unsuccessfully yesterday. German big guns shelled war factories in Leutkograd, the communiqué claimed.

Stores to Close on Wednesday P. M.

Hope merchants in a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce office this afternoon voted to close business houses each Wednesday afternoon. The meeting was attended by all Hope merchants.

The first day of closing will be Wednesday, May 12.

U. S. Naval Force Beat Off Jap Force

Washington, May 4 (P)—An American light Naval force, outnumbered two to one, repelled a Japanese supply expedition west of the Aleutian Islands March 26, the Navy reported today, and damaged at least two enemy heavy cruisers and one light cruiser.

United States ships suffered only minor damage and casualties to personnel were extremely light, a Navy communiqué said.

The battle started shortly after dawn and lasted three and a half hours. It ended when daring destroyers made a torpedo attack on the Japanese and the enemy withdrew.

There was no doubt among authorities here that the aim of the Japanese force was to land supplies and possibly reinforcements on their bases in the Aleutians, Kiska and Attu.

Bankers to Meet

Hot Springs, May 4 (P)—The annual convention of the Arkansas Bankers Association will open here tonight with a meeting of the executive committee. It will close Tuesday, with election of officers for the new year.

Marriage Suits Them

CARLSBAD, N. M.—(P)—After being married for 13 years, a couple came to Probate Judge J. T. Hardin and asked him to perform another ceremony. They had found their 1930 marriage papers were made out incorrectly.

Approximately every fifth bullet fired from American machine guns is a tracer bullet.

Ickes Places All Miners on 6-Day Working Week

—Washington

Washington, May 4 (P)—Fuels Administrator Ickes today ordered a six-day week throughout the coal mining industry as work generally was resumed after a week-end strike crisis.

The order was telegraphed to approximately 3,850 mine operators now running their properties as agents for the government.

Ickes said mines failing to operate six days weekly would suffer cancellation of the price ceiling increases granted them by the Office of Price Administration to cover the added costs of overtime pay.

Ickes' order to mine operators went out as the first day of a two-week temporary truce found the miners busily digging the war vital fuel with Uncle Sam as their new boss. The fuel administrator's directive said:

"Since maximum prices have recently been increased by the Office of Price Administration to permit operations of mines on a six-day week work basis you are to afford miners an opportunity to work six days each week and are to operate mines under your charge on that basis and to pay time and one-half or rate and one-half for six days of work as heretofore agreed upon by collective bargaining and previously cleared by War Labor Board."

"The government is relying upon you and all miner employees to exercise utmost effort in maintaining and increasing production of coal so vital to the winning of the war. "If for any justifiable physical or operating reason a six-day week basis is not feasible, timely application for exemption from this directive may be made together with full supporting statement with underlying reasons."

"I intend to recommend to the Office of Price Administration that the increase in maximum prices for six-day week operation be rescinded as to any mine which fails to comply with this directive."

Washington, May 4 (P)—Carloads of hard and soft coal rolled out of the country's mines again today—but the key to the labor crisis which closed the industry's doors during the weekend still was missing.

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But the issue of who will handle permanent settlement of the wage dispute which brought the weekend

Continued on Page Five

Boy Dies When Run Over by Big Truck

McGehee, May 4 (P)—Tossed in front of a passing truck when his bicycle and one ridden by a playmate collided, James Warren Little, seven-year-old Pine Bluff lad, was killed near here yesterday.

Connally himself has moved to give the WLB statutory authority and Senator Wagner (D-N.Y.) has proposed that it be authorized to exercise subpoena powers where a labor union or employer declines to submit a case, as President John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers did in the soft coal wage dispute.

With all of these and more amendments in sight, members pointed out that it was difficult to predict what final form the legislation might take. In any event it was expected that pifled opposition would be forthcoming from organized labor to most of the drastic proposals that have made.

A Whacky Week In Tennessee

Knoxville, Tenn. (P)—A week of dizzy-doings in East Tennessee: A chick was hatched in Chattanooga with three legs.

A couple asked the Knox County Court clerk for their marriage certificate, which couldn't be found on the records. The "newlyweds" were shocked to learn after explaining their marriage license was stolen the night before the "wedding" along with the "bride's" purse—that they weren't legally married at all.

The mare on Wilson Branch near Athens gave birth to twin mule colts, an event that occurs but once in several thousand such occasions.

A Johnson City lad, only 12 years old, obtained permission from his parents to ride a streamliner train to Knoxville and back just for the thrill of it. His imagination got the best of him and he caught a truck ride from Knoxville to Tallahassee Fla., before homesickness caught up with him. On the return trip, he collapsed from hunger in Atlantic.

A lamb in an Sast Tennessee county was discovered—without any hooves.

Hemp, grown for its fiber reaches a height of from seven to ten feet.

Russell Islands Are Occupied by Americans

Washington, May 4 (P)—American forces extending their hold on the Solomon Islands, have occupied the Russell Islands which lie immediately northwest of Guadalcanal, the Navy reported today.

The Russell group, which includes two main islands, lies only 18 miles from the northwestern tip of American occupied Guadalcanal at its nearest point. The group is less than 10 miles from points in the Central Solomons, such as Virdo harbor and Rekata Bay, from which the Japanese are known to have operated.

Navy spokesman declined comment on the operation, which was carried out in February after enemy resistance ceased on Guadalcanal, but presumably the Russell bases serve as outposts for American positions on that occupied island.

Occupation of the Russell islands was the second such move to be announced in the last two weeks. On April 23, the Navy reported that Marine forces had moved into the Ellice Islands in the south central Pacific, thus gaining a base of operations much nearer Japanese centers in the Gilbert Island group.

The kind of fortifications being set up on Russell Islands was not disclosed. Apparently the islands would lend themselves to flight strip construction, although such an establishment might not be necessary since they lie near enough to the air field on Guadalcanal to have fighter protection from there.

This occupation constitutes the first expansion to be reported in the Solomons since American forces moved in there August 7, aside from the consolidation of their hold on Guadalcanal.

Plant Seizure Bill Held Up by Amendments

Washington, May 4 (P)—A swift frestest of amendments today complicated that Senate's efforts to rewrite the Connally plant seizure bill and there were reports most Republicans might join in a move to send the measure back to committee for renewed study.

While Senator Connally (D-Tex) expressed determination to obtain a vote on the bill, Senator Taft (R-Ohio) told reporters he thought the Senate ought not to try to write "what amounts to anti-strike legislation" in a floor battle where amendments often are hatched drawn and he said, adopted without full realization of their effect.

The informant declined to elaborate but suggested that tomorrow's committee hearing at which John Monroe of the R street house will be given another chance to testify, might prove interesting.

At his first appearance last week Monroe refused to answer questions about himself or social activities at his four-story home in the heart of an exclusive residential area.

Another witness, Mrs. Eula Smith, also declined to talk about the R street house. Both she and Monroe said they were acting on advice of counsel.

Chairman May (D-Ky) said the committee would recommend contempt action if they persist in their refusal to talk when they are called again tomorrow, although he said he understood that Monroe had decided to become more valuable.

There were indications that if a move to recommit develops, it would have the backing of some administration members who have not been enthusiastic about the legislation.

Connally has proposed to amend his bill, which authorizes government seizure of struck mines or war plants, to provide criminal penalties for an person instigating a work stoppage at an plant which has been taken over. Senator Reed (R-Kan) has said he will seek to go much further by making similar penalties applicable in all war plants and mines, whether seized by the government or not.

Published stories have linked Connally himself is drafting a War Labor Board statutory jurisdiction to settle labor disputes and to enforce its decisions. His amendment also would provide penalties for union members who struck while a case still is under consideration.

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Japs Claim Big Toll of U. S., Shipping

By The Associated Press
The Japanese press carried claims today that 50,000 tons of Allied shipping all of which is asserted carried arms, munitions and other supplies had been sunk by Japanese submarines and Navy planes in the Southwest Pacific during the last nine days.

There was no Allied confirmation of the claims, repeated in a Trans ocean news agency broadcast by the Berlin radio and recorded by the Associated Press.

The Japanese newspaper Asahi said that since the first attack on Oto Bay in New Guinea, Japanese submarines had sunk upward of 220,000 tons of enemy shipping.

All of the Tokyo press hailed the figures as indicating a far-reaching plan to cut off Australia's communications with the United States and at the same time to crush the resistance of the Allied Air Force.

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June 14, Proclaimed Flag Day by President

Washington, May 4 (P)—President Roosevelt today proclaimed June 14 as Flag Day and asked the nation to fly the stars and stripes this year along with the flag of the United Nations where feasible.

"We know that our flag is not fighting alone," he said. "This year the flags of 32 United Nations are marching together, borne forward by the braver of free men. Together they are the emblem of a gathering offensive that shall liberate the world."

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Axis Defenses in North Tunisia Appear to Be Cracking

**Analysis of
the News by
Mackenzie**

**Editorial Comment
Written Today and
Moved by Telegraph
or Cable.**

By DeWITT MackENZIE

The American capture of Mateur, key communication center of the Axis last stand defenses in Tunisia, has set the whole northern part of the long enemy line to rocking—and our advance was officially stated to be continuing today.

This may easily lead to the isolation of the great naval base of Bizerte, only eighteen miles to the northeast of Mateur. It may enable us to drive a wedge between the enemy forces of the north and south.

Some days ago I suggested that the Axis defenses were likely to crack suddenly from the pressure of the five major Allied attacks which were being made against the great arc of fortified mountains guarding the plains before Bizerte and Tunis. These thrusts were compared to the fingers of a hand squeezing a toy balloon. Sooner or later one of those fingers would press so hard as to explode it.

Well, the American victory at Mateur may be the finger to explode the balloon.

The Allied high command in reporting the operation says that after ten days of relentless pressure and much heavy fighting, American troops have forced the enemy in the northern sector to evacuate all his forward positions.

That's the way it looks to the military mind. We folks back home, who are entitled to little moments of prideful emotion, can get a thrill from the knowledge that the ten days of relentless pressure represented bloody slogging against a determined enemy in his strong positions among the craggy heights. It meant swarming up the rocky hills in the face of heavy fire. It meant in many instances the capture of positions at the point of the bayonet.

Those are the boys—by the way independent of unceasing support—a purpose of nothing—who are dependent on our unceasing support here at home. "Ten days of relentless pressure"—often without food or rest—wary and maybe hurt driving up hill after hill in a storm of bullets and bursting shells.

Mateur is the strategic railway center which has linked Bizerte with the rest of Tunisia, including its sister port of Tunis to the south. The American operation is calculated to cause all the Axis forces between Mateur and the sea to the north to make a quick withdrawal to Bizerte, while the enemy on the south falls back towards Tunis.

The way things are going it looks as though Bizerte would shortly be isolated and come under siege. Not only are the Americans continuing their advance but there is a Franco-American force on the coast north of Mateur driving along the shore towards Bizerte.

Bizerte is one of the great naval ports of the world, ranking next to Toulon among French bases. It also has a big air field which will be an asset to the Allies once Tunisia is in the sack.

This fortified port may be a tough nut to crack. The French spent huge sums of money in developing it and making it one of the strongest naval bases in the world. Because of its strategic position and its extensive fortifications it is known as the Gibraltar of France.

Bizerte has a trio of harbors. Behind the outer harbor is the Bay of Sebra, the two being connected by a canal. The bay opens into Bizerte lake, a body of water fifty miles square, and deep enough to provide anchorage for a vast fleet, including battleships.

The man who didn't know it was loaded had a brother who thought his home wouldn't burn

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INSURANCE

None of Doolittle's Daredevils Expected to Reach Safety In China, Admits Officer Writing Story of Attack

Here's what it was like to bomb Tokyo! This is the first of two stories, written for NEA Service, in which Buffalo-born, 27-year-old Captain Harold F. Watson describes his hazardous experience as pilot of one of the 16 American bombers that struck terror into the heart of Japan.

By CAPT. HAROLD F. WATSON
Written for NEA Service

We sat up playing cards aboard the Hornet most of the night of April 17, 1942. Everybody tried to act nonchalant.

Even back at Eglin Field, Florida, we had guessed that the secret mission for which we were training—"to bomb industrial sections of a foreign country"—would take us to Tokyo. And Col. Doolittle had confirmed our guess when we were two days out at sea. But you could feel a growing tension just the same as Saturday approached.

Our 16 B-25's had been loaded with gasoline and their four 500-pound bombs on Friday. And we pilots had spent most of the day in what the Navy calls the "ready room," in case an emergency should force us to take off before the scheduled time of dusk the following day. Col. Doolittle had personally inspected every ship and its equipment.

We were up an hour before dawn on Saturday. At breakfast the engineer came down to tell me that, in the final checkup, he had found some bad plugs in my right engine and that he was going to put in some new ones. He had all the plugs out of the front bank when the emergency we were prepared for happened.

Man Your Ships!
I was sitting in my quarters when the boatswain's whistle piped over the carrier's loud speakers, and a voice said: "Army crews, man your ships. Army crews, man your ships."

I grabbed my helmet, goggles, cigarettes, and ran up the ladder. Just as I came out of the hatch I saw on the port side the silhouette of a ship on the horizon. There was a curtain of water around it, and as the mist settled I could see black smoke. One of our destroyers had just laid down four shells.

By this time most of the crew members were on deck. There was what you might call a well-ordered excitement, but no confusion. You'd pass somebody and pat him on the back, shake hands quickly.

I hurried to my ship and found that the plugs hadn't been put in yet. But the engineer and his buddy now had five other extra crew members helping them. It was a question of either getting the ship ready on time or rolling it over side so that the ship behind it could get on the runway.

We were 800 miles from Tokyo when the enemy ship, instead of the 400 miles we had planned on. Col. Doolittle had figured the distance to the last pint and had concluded that 600 miles was the absolute maximum distance from which we could bomb Tokyo and then reach unoccupied China.

We talked the situation over quickly and there was no question in anybody's mind as to what we should do, even though none of us ever expected to get to China.

Col. Doolittle took off about 8:20 a.m. We had made some noise when we learned definitely that we were headed for Tokyo. But the yell then were nothing like the roar that went up when he got his ship down the runway and safely into the air. You could hear that cheer above the din of all the motors warming up.

My ship was the ninth to go. They were still working furiously on the engine, and gave it the final touches just as the plane ahead of ours taxied into takeoff position. Tough Takeoff

I probably should have thought of something memorable or dramatic while I waited to ride signal that would start us for Tokyo. But I only had one thought in mind: I had to release the two brakes absolutely evenly.

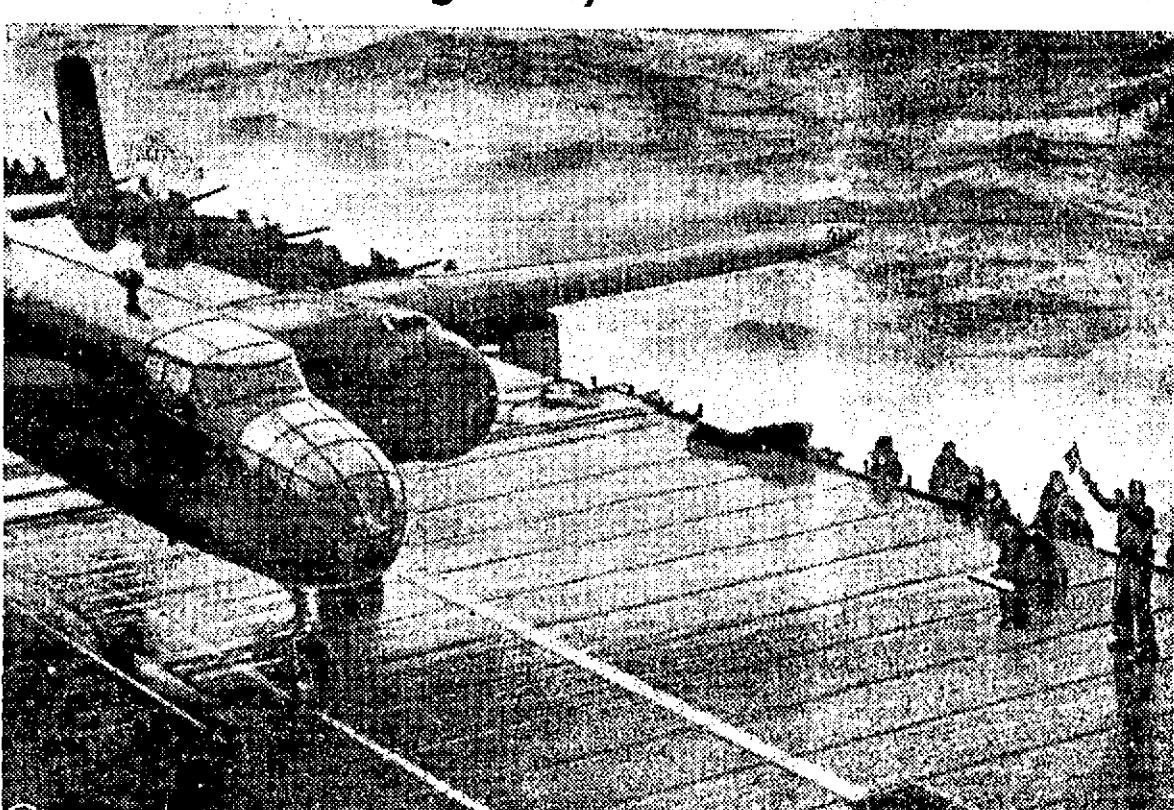
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None of us had ever taken off from a carrier before, but we had been given the routine instruction. The waves were running about 20 feet high, although it was a beautiful clear morning, and the deck officer started me down as the ship went into the trough of a wave. We reached the end of the runway as the ship reached the crest, circled the carrier once for compass check, and started off.

We had worked and planned every part of this trip so long that, once we were started, it seemed almost routine. The engineer checked the rear gun and the navigator constantly checked the sun as we cruised along at 300 feet. Dodged Waves

Soon we saw a large surface ship was clear this morning. His body felt weak but the fever had once more purged it of the aching pain that had racked it yesterday. He could hear Lila packing.

The air was fresh and the sun was brilliant this morning. The tropic storm had spent itself just as the fever in his own body. He



"The waves were running about 20 feet high . . . and the deck officer started me down as the ship went into the trough of a wave. We reached the end of the runway as the ship reached the crest . . . and started off." This picture shows one of the bombers moving along the flight deck of the U. S. S. Hornet.

a light ground haze for a better course up and down, and to the ship up and then did a sort of right and left.

More and more surface craft appeared, and people waved at us from sampans and smaller boats. We didn't wave back. With our tremendous load of bombs and gasoline, our speed was quite slow. We were an excellent target, and we were very much on edge.

Outside Tokyo we passed over an airfield where twin-engine bombers were lined up and pursuit planes were warming up on the runways. Bissell, our bombardier, wanted to drop an egg on them, but we had strict orders to stick to our specified targets.

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Market Report

ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK

National Stockyards, Ill., May 4

(AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.) — Hogs,

14,000 weights over 170 lbs. and

sows steady to strong with aver-

age Monday; lighter weights

steady to 10 lower; good and

choice 180-270 lbs. 14.50-60; largely

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14.55-up; top 14.00 odd lots 280-

325 lbs. 14.40 - 55; 100 170 lbs.

14.00-35; 140 - 160 lbs. 13.50-14.10;

100-130 lbs. 12.50 - 13.35; sows

14.00-35; stags 14.50 down.

Cattle, 3,500; calves, 1,400; gen-

erally steady with vealers 25 lower;

good and choice steers 14.85-

16.25; good and choice mixed

yearlings and heifers 14.00 - 15.50;

common and medium cows 11.00-

13.00; medium and good sausage

bulbs 12.50 - 13.75; good and choice

vealers 15.50; medium and good

steers 13.00-14.25; nominal range

steer steers 11.50 - 16.75; slaughter

heifers 10.75 - 16.00; stocker and

feeder steers 10.75-15.25.

Sheep, 4,000; lambs, 1,400; gen-

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Poultry and Produce

Chicago, May 4 (AP) — Poultry,

live 3 trucks; market unchanged.

NEW YORK STOCKS

New York, May 4 (AP) — In one

of the fastest market sessions since

early 1940, stocks generally

reached 3 year peaks today with

gains of fractions to 2 points de-

spite heavy profit taking on the

rise.

Brokers reported wide-spread public participation on a cash basis, mainly in low-priced issues. So-called "penny" performers turned over in blocks of 1,000, 15,000 shares in the forenoon. Dealings slackened later but the day's aggregate was in the neighborhood of 3,000,000 shares. The majority of pivots failed to get far ahead and near the close, small minus signs were plentiful.

SMALL TRACTOR WITH MOWING ATTACHMENT

Chicago, May 4 (AP) — A small

tractor with attachment. Would buy

tractor without attachment. Howard Houston. Phone 61 or 545.

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Social and Personal

Daisy Dorothy Heard, Editor
Phone 788 Between 8 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Social Calendar

Tuesday, May 4th

The Woodman Circle will meet at the Woodman Hall, 8 o'clock, for a business meeting.

Thursday, May 6th

A special business meeting for the election of officers will be held by the Hope Business and Professional Women's club, the Barlow, 8 o'clock.

The Vacation Bible School "Guide" will be taught at the First Baptist church Thursday, 4 o'clock, by Mrs. Hugh Jones. Those planning to teach in the annual Vacation Bible school are urged to attend.

Baptist W. M. S. Business Meet is Held Monday

A business session of the Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church was held yesterday afternoon with the president, Mrs. F. L. Padgett, presiding.

Following the opening hymn, Mrs. Sevra Gibson, accompanied by Mrs. W. R. Hamilton, sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus". An inspiring devotional on "Making Christ a Companion" was given by Mrs. T. L. Nichols. Mrs. W. R. Hamilton led the group in prayer.

Reports from all officers and elected chairmen were heard.

Mrs. Edgar Thrush, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. F. L. Padgett, and Mrs. Hugh Jones, who served as delegates to the state W. M. S. convention recently held in Little Rock, gave detailed reports to the local society.

Two Members Are Hostesses to Wesleyan Guild

A social meeting for members of the Wesleyan Guild of the First Methodist church was given Monday evening by Mrs. Roy Stevenson and Mrs. Kelly Bryant at the Bryant home.

Following a brief business session, Mrs. Merlin Coop presented the program. Mrs. Lamarr Cox gave an address on "Child Labor".

Madam Chiang Kai Shek's plan for a post war world was outlined by Mrs. R. L. Broach.

The society voted to contribute to a W. S. C. S. fund for the purchase of an award for China's first lady, who has been made an honorary life patron of the W. S. C. S.

During the social hour the hos-

Expecting a Baby?

Mother's Friend
helps bring ease
and comfort to
expectant
mothers.

MOTHER'S FRIEND, an
exquisitely prepared
medium is skin lubricant
useful in all conditions
where a bland, mild anodyne
massage medium is desired.

One condition in which women
for months have suffered is the
application for massaging the body during
pregnancy... It helps keep the skin
soft and pliable... thus avoiding unnecessary
discomfort due to dryness and
itching. It is a delight to use.

Mother's Friend
Highly praised by users, many doctors and
nurses. Just ask any druggist for Mother's
Friend—the skin lubricant. Try it tonight.

NEW SAENGER

NOW—

BOB DOROTHY
HOPE & LAMOUR
in "They Got
Me Covered"

Starts Wednesday

TENNESSEE JOHNSON
Helen Hayes, Lionel
Heiflin-Hussey-Barrymore

RIALTO
Starts Today

George Lynn
Montgomery Roberts
in

"Last of the
Duane's"
Also

Betty John
Grable Payne
in

"Footlight
Serenade"

Summer Uniforms for Lady Marines



tesses served a delicious dessert course with iced tea to the members, one new member, Mrs. Robert Jewell, and two guests, Mrs. Lex Helms, Jr. and Mrs. O. C. Sutton.

W. S. C. S. Circle Three Meets With Mrs. Graydon Anthony

Mrs. Graydon Anthony, Mrs. C. W. Bridgers, Mrs. Rob Jones and Mrs. Kenneth Hamilton were hostesses to Circle 4 of the W. S. C. S. at the home of the former Monday afternoon.

Mrs. R. D. Franklin, leader, presided at the business session. The devotional was given by Mrs. R. B. Moore.

"In Concern for Children" was the topic of a discussion by Mrs. Don Smith, who was assisted by Mrs. Ernest O'Neal and Mrs. George Newbern, Jr.

An appeal for all members to devote more time to the making of surgical dressings at the Red Cross Production rooms was made by Mrs. Edwin Ward.

A delicious dessert course was served to 18 members.

Registration For Home Nursing Class Begins Thursday

Thursday will mark the beginning of a third class in Home Nursing to be conducted by Miss Dorothy Porter, R. N., and Mrs. Mary Mills, R. N., at the Hempstead County rooms on West Third street.

Mrs. Leon Bundy, chairman of the Red Cross project, urges all interested people to register Thursday night at 8 o'clock. The time of the classes will be announced later.

Coming and Going

Mrs. and Mrs. Bernard Waddle have returned to their home in De Ridder, La., after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Waddle.

Lt. John Clyde Hill will arrive Wednesday from Washington, D. C., to be the guest of his mother, Mrs. Clyde Hill, for a few days. Lt. Hill is a recent graduate of officers' candidate school at Camp Lee, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Billingsley had as Sunday guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Billingsley of Gurdon, Mrs. Jess Tolleson, and W. B. Billingsley of Amity.

Mrs. R. R. Forster and son, "Ricky" of Shreveport are guests of the L. W. Youngs.

Mrs. Nathan Harbour and children have gone to Little Rock for a visit with relatives and friends.

Mrs. David De Fir departed today for Newport, Arkansas, where she will visit relatives.

Cpl. Leo Erwin, who is stationed at Camp Young, Calif., has arrived for a visit with Mrs. Erwin and other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Joe Knesal and little daughter, Jo Ellyn, of Little Rock are house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Holloman while attending the bedside of Mrs. Knesal's father, Clyde Holloman, who is a patient at the Julia Chester hospital.

Communicates

Two cadets from Arkansas were graduated this week from Shaw Field, Sumter, South Carolina, an Army Basic Flying School, and moved on to advanced schools at Turner Field and Spence Field in Georgia. They are: Dolan B. Cargile, 308 Shover, and Harold Pendergast, McCrory. Mr. Cargile is the son of Mrs. Mae Cargile of Hoppe.

Library Notes

"One World" by Wendell L. Willkie, the best seller of the country for this week, is on the shelf of the Hempstead County Library. In this book Wendell Willkie tells his fellow Americans what he feels about the war we are fighting, the peace we must win, the world we live in, and reports on his recent trip to Russia, China, Egypt, Turkey—and what he learned from the little people as well as their leaders.

Other new books at the Hempstead County Library are "Gideon Planish," by Sinclair Leewi; "Mama's Bank Account," by Kathryn Forbes; "November Storm," by Joy McCormick; "Perilous Journey" by S. M. Sublette and Harry Harrison Kroll; "Lords of the Levee," by Lloyd Wendt and Herman Kogan; "Mutiny in January" by Carl Van Doren.

Franklin D. Roosevelt said "Books cannot be killed by fire. People die, but books never die. No man and no force can take from the world the books that embody man's eternal fight against tyranny. In this war, we know, books are weapons".

Laborers Sought by Employment Office

White and negro laborers are wanted for a war effort job, transportation being furnished from Stamps, Ark., to the job site, according to an announcement today by the U. S. Employment Service, 201 East Second street, Hope. Pay is 40 cents per hour, time and a half over 40 hours—with the job now working 10 hours a day, seven days a week. Applicants should report to the Employment Service office here—but do not apply if employed in lumber or farming within the last 30 days.

Hollywood

By ROBBIN COONS
Wide World Features Writer

The Movie Stars are having a tremendous lot of film, making money in habitual forming quantities and indulging in private, well-bred laughter at the genetics of the film industry.

The two quaint souls are Bill Pine and Bill Thomas, and they form Paramount's Pine & Thomas production unit. They turn out six regular pictures a year and two or three specials, and they turn 'em out in an uproarious hurry. You tell them that they don't make the best pictures in Hollywood and they won't argue, they'll just ask you who makes better pictures any quicker or less expensively.

Thomas is an energetic, jerky young man who appears perpetually on the brink of a nervous breakdown, and is the only Hollywood executive who can bustle while standing still. Expounding some of his principles of movie-making he says:

"Bill Pine and I operate on the principle that making motion pictures is nothing but a practical business. Yes, there are artistic elements, too—perhaps. But essentially it's just a practical business like making shoes, or airplanes or running a restaurant."

"On our budget we can't afford the frills which go along with the million-dollar opuses. We don't need 'em and we don't want 'em. All we want is a good script, a few assorted actors and the necessary equipment. Then we'll turn out films, and some of them will be good films."

The masal ways places tongue firmly in cheek when the talk turns to Hollywood geniuses.

I've often wondered how a man feels when he learns he's a genius and how he makes the discovery," commented Thomas, waving his arms and hopping from foot to the other. "Does it dawn on him suddenly in the night? Or does he look at himself while shaving and surprisingly say 'Old man, you're a genius.' And when he decides it, how does he go about convincing some of it?"

About the only thing Pine and Thomas insist on when they start shooting a picture is a good script. As Thomas puts it: "If you've got a good script, you've got a chance. If you've got a bad script, you haven't a chance."

The two Bills have an unusual way of deciding whether a script is good. It's the influence of their

old press agent days, and the test to which they put a screenplay, "Could we write a good advertisement from it?"

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SIDE GLANCES**Hold Everything**

"Cookie, make mine a shore dinner!"

By Galbraith



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"The way the women have taken things over these days,
it looks as though the best we can wish for our new son
is that he grows up to be the President's husband!"

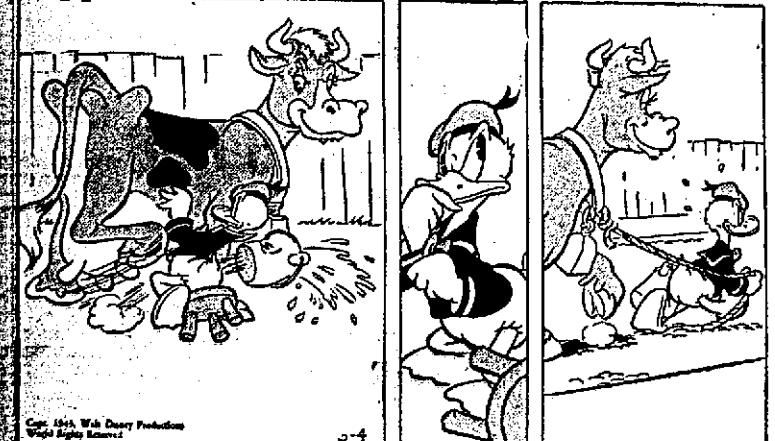
Wash Tubbs**Come Rain, Come Storm . . .**

"BLAZES! YOU'RE ACTUALLY GOING TO FLY IN THIS WEATHER, STOOP?"
"WHY, OF COURSE, EASY. GOING OUT IN THE TEETH OF A GALE IS NOTHING TO PLANES OF THE COASTAL COMMAND."

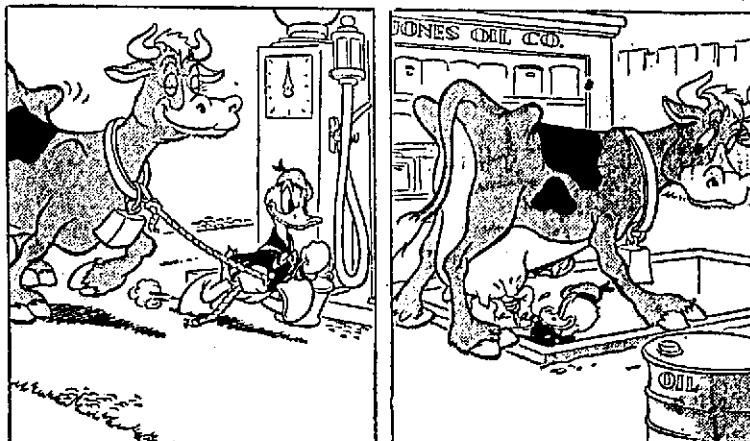


"CANT LET THAT CONVOY DOWN, YOU KNOW. IT'S SAFETY IS FAR MORE IMPORTANT THAN OURS. HOP IN."

By Roy Crane

Auto-Suggestion

DONALD DUCK



By Walt Disney



BLONDIE



By Chic Young



A Woman of Words!



By Edgar Martin



Look Who's Here



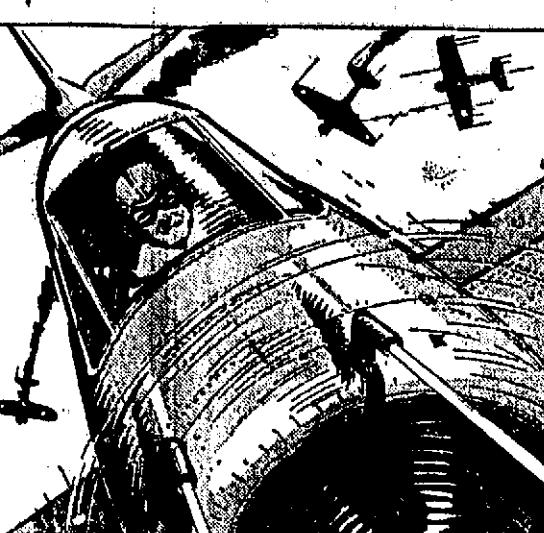
By Merrill Blosser

HOPE STAR, HOPE, ARKANSAS**Guadalcanal Diary**

"Our patrol planes spotted an enemy squadron."

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23—This afternoon there came in disquieting news that a large squadron of Jap ships was on its way to Guadalcanal. Our patrol planes had spotted 14 Jap ships—transports, cruisers and destroyers—about 150 miles offshore. A striking force of our dive-bombers went out to hunt the Japs, but the weather closed in and they could not make contact. I was at the airport when the pilots returned, looking brokenhearted. "I feel like hell about it," said the squadron leader, checking in with the operations chief. "But we just couldn't get in there."

MONDAY, AUGUST 24—The expected Japanese task



"Planes streaked through the clouds in combat . . ."

force did not show up during the night. But at about 2:30 this afternoon our air raid siren wailed, and our swift fighter planes zoomed into the overcast sky. They were straining to "get upstairs" before the Japs arrived. In a few minutes, planes were streaking through the clouds in combat. We could hear the rattle of their guns, the swish of Jap bombs falling, and the sharp, ground-shaking "crack-crack-crack" as they struck.

After the all-clear sounded, I talked to the returned fighter pilots. A blond lad with very white teeth laughed gaily as he told his story. He was Lieut. J. H. King, of

Based on the Book-of-the-Month

BY RICHARD TREGASKIS
ILLUSTRATIONS BY I. B. HAZELTON

"The big bomber, which had been flying along like a fat and happy goose, suddenly exploded."

Brookline, Mass. "A big bomber was flying along like a fat and happy goose," said King. "I dove at it and it just exploded at the first burst."

The final tally was 10 Jap bombers and 11 Zeros downed.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25—Just after midnight, my sleep was shattered by explosions coming very close. Reflex action took me out of bed and onto the ground, flat. When the shelling ended, I could hear in the darkness a blubbing, sobbing cry that was more animal than human. A Marine running past said several men had been badly wounded and needed a corpsman. The crying man

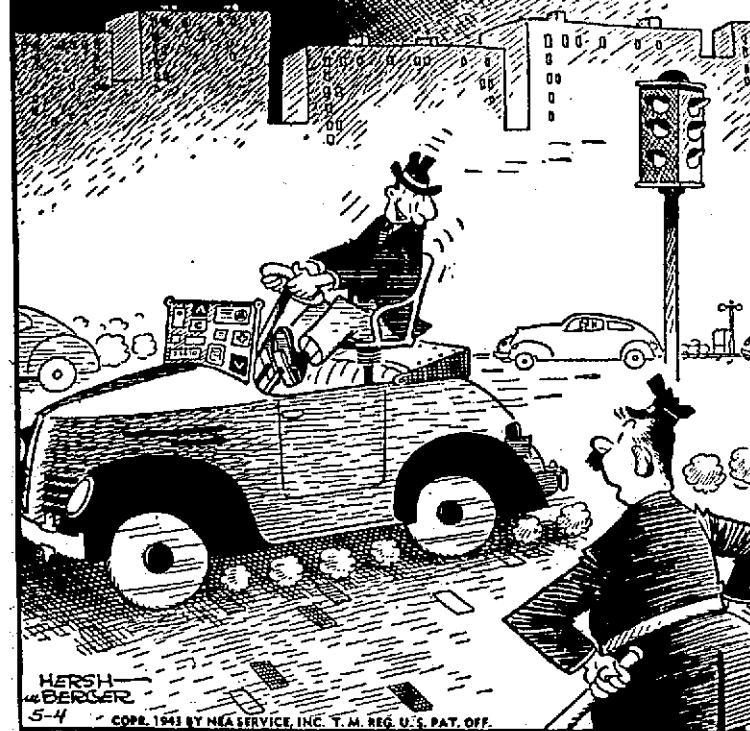
kept on, his gurgling rising and falling in regular waves like the sound of some strange machine. Two dim lights, set in a square dark shape, marked an ambulance. And the eerie squeak of the stretchers sliding into place, a sound like that of a fingernail scratched across a blackboard, was a sound I shall never forget.

All day today, planes roared out to attack the Jap naval force offshore. The results were encouraging—the Japs have been turned back and dispersed, with one of their cruisers and two transports badly damaged.

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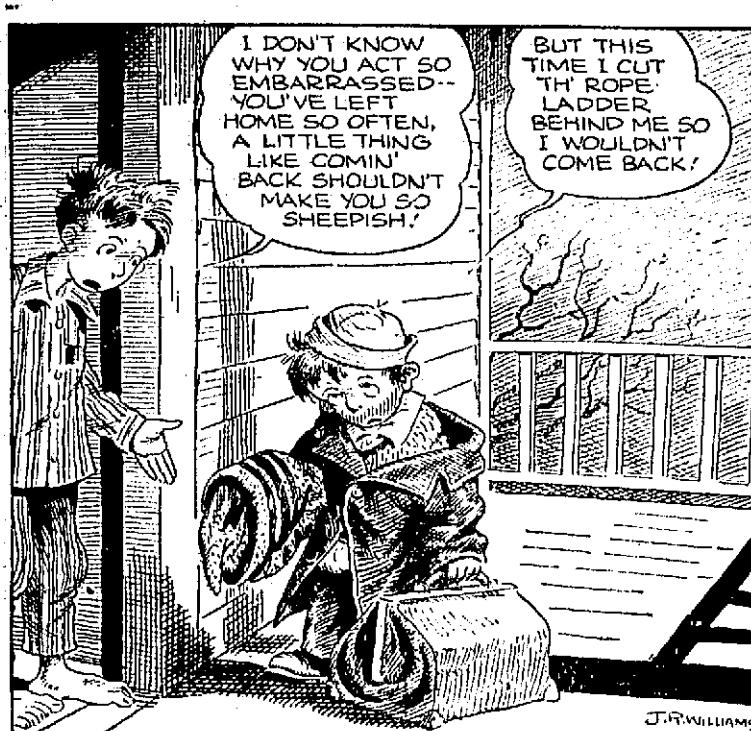
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FUNNY BUSINESS



"The windshield's so full of stickers that I had this special equipment made for safe driving!"

OUT OUR WAY



"I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU ACT SO EMBARRASSED—YOU'VE LEFT HOME SO OFTEN, A LITTLE THING LIKE COMIN' BACK SHOULDN'T MAKE YOU SO SHEEPISH!"

By J. R. Williams

HEROES ARE MADE—NOT BORN



"BUT THIS TIME I CUT TH' ROPE LADDER BEHIND ME SO I WOULDN'T COME BACK!"

"IN THE TWO DAYS I'VE BEEN HERE YOU'VE BEEN AS FRISKY AS AN IRON DEER! MARTHA COULD HAVE GOT SOMETHING BETTER THAN YOU BY RINGING CANES AT A CARNIVAL!"

COME ON! GET UP! THIS IS WARTIME!

"WE'VE GOT WORK TO DO!"

"HAK-KAFF! WE'VE GOT WHAT, FATHER? EGAD! IN THE YEARS HE WAS AWAY WHY COULDN'T FATHER HAVE HAD AN ATTACK OF AMNESIA?"

STRANGE WORDS FOR A HOOPLE=

Red Rider



"WELL, CHIEF—WE MEET AGAIN—THIS TIME IT'S MY PARTY!"

A Stubborn Redskin

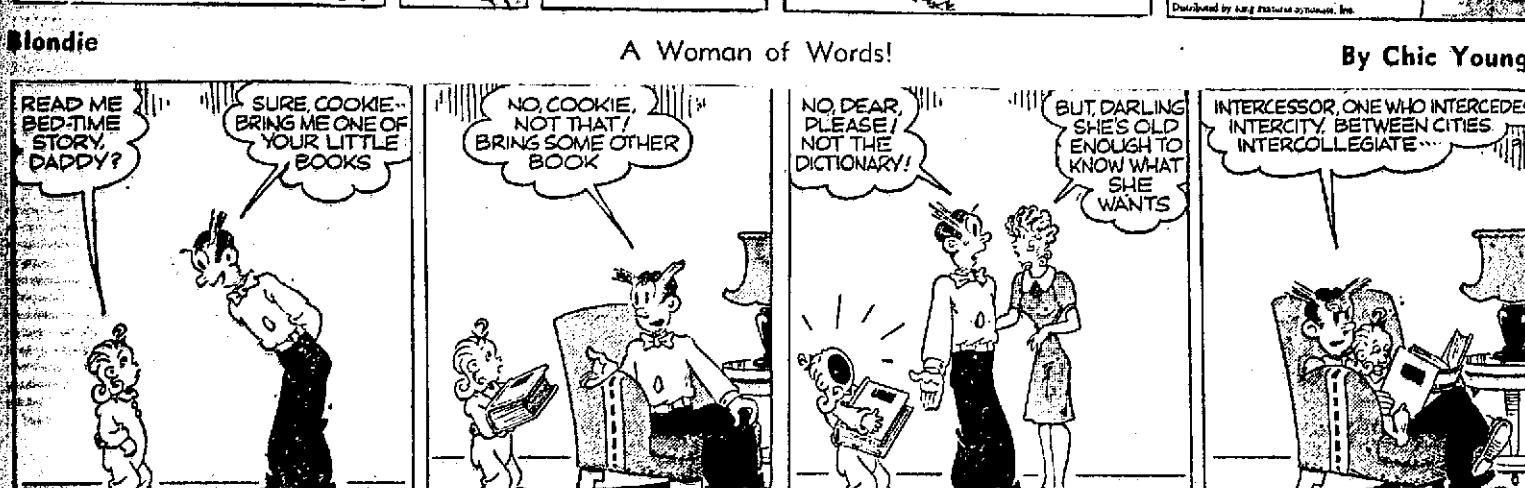
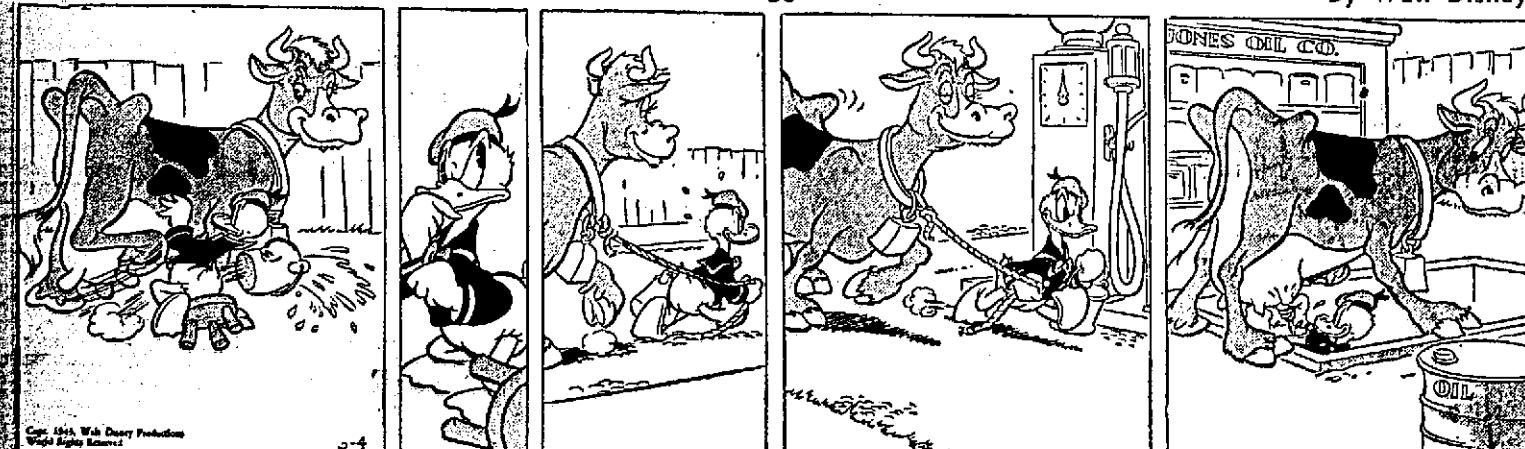


"I'VE GOT A GUN IN YOUR BACK—NOW TELL YOUR TRAIN ROBBIN' GANG TO DROP THEIR GUNS—QUICK!"

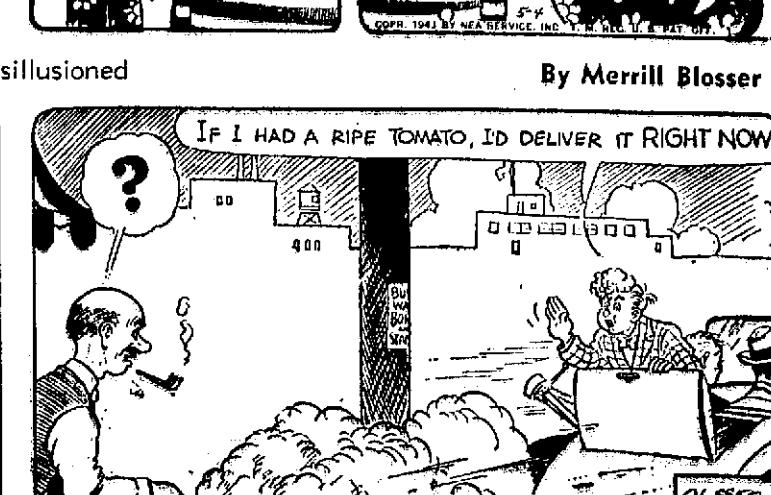
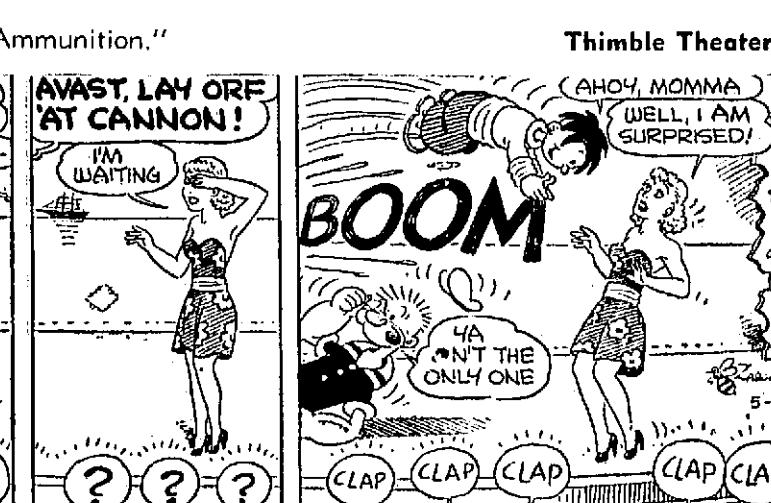
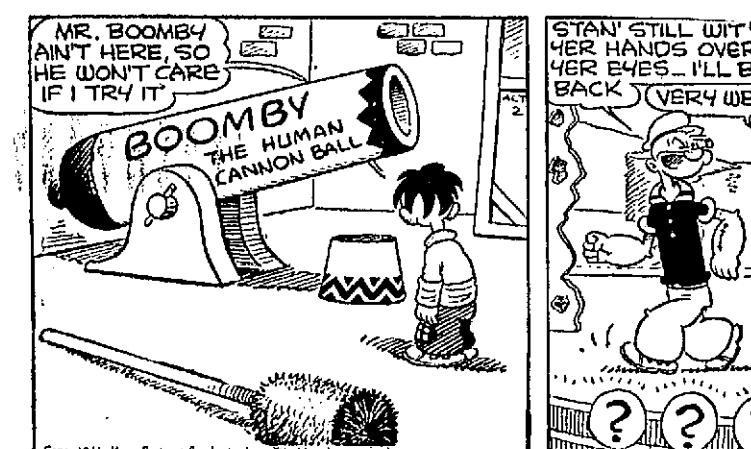
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By Fred Harman

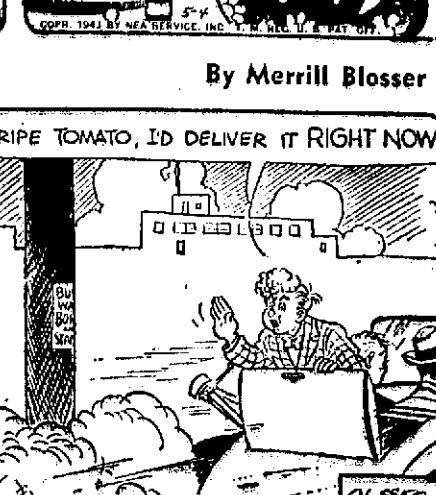
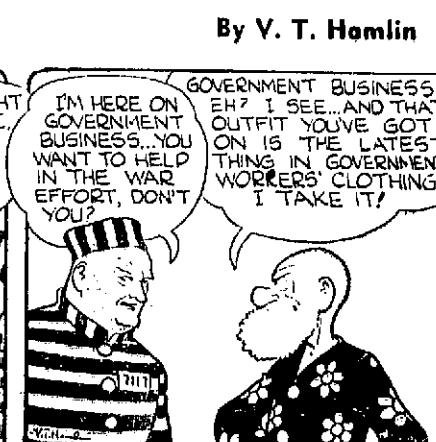
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Pass the Ammunition.



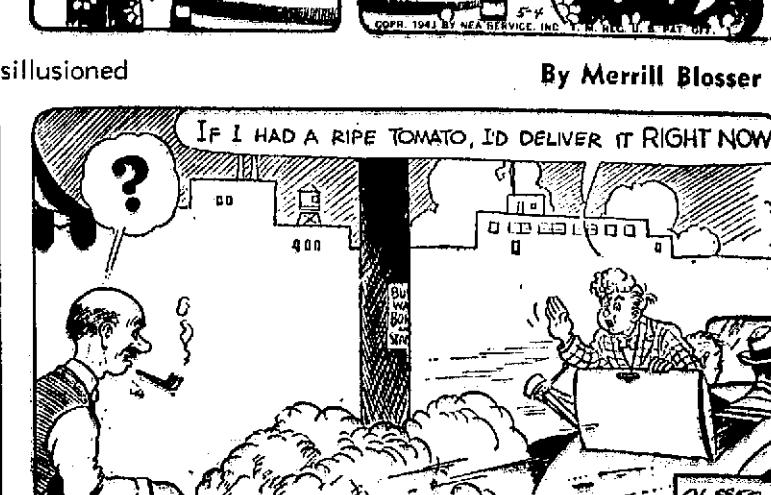
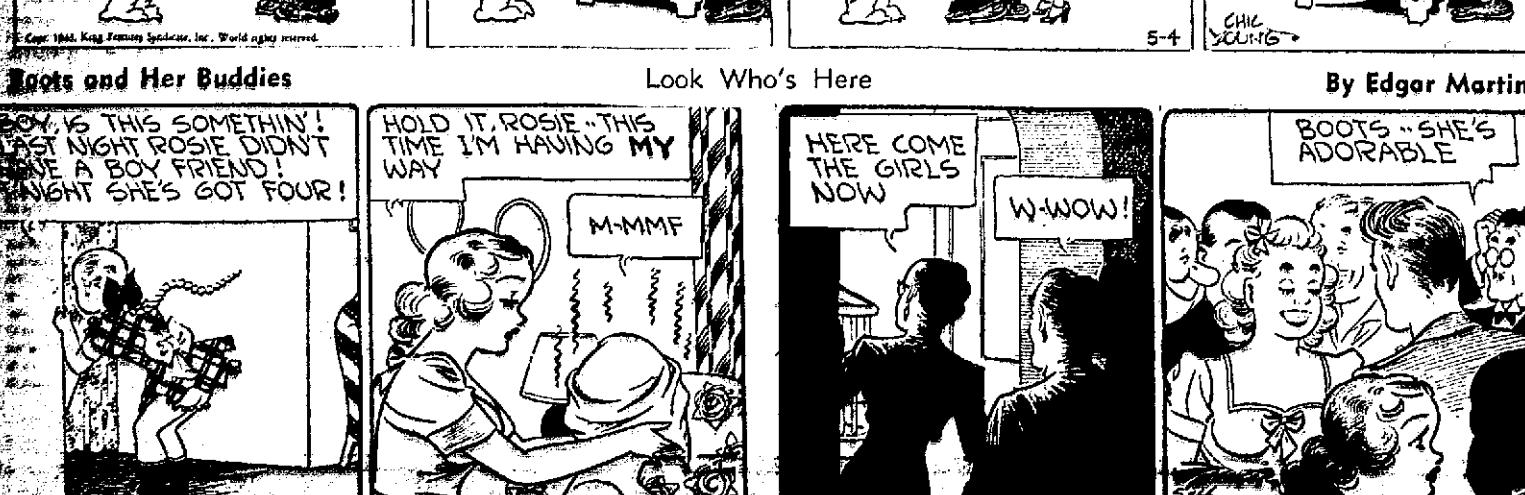
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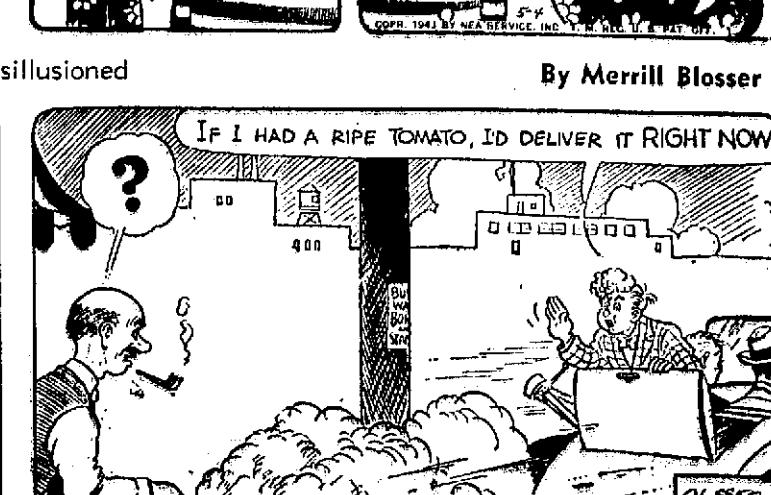
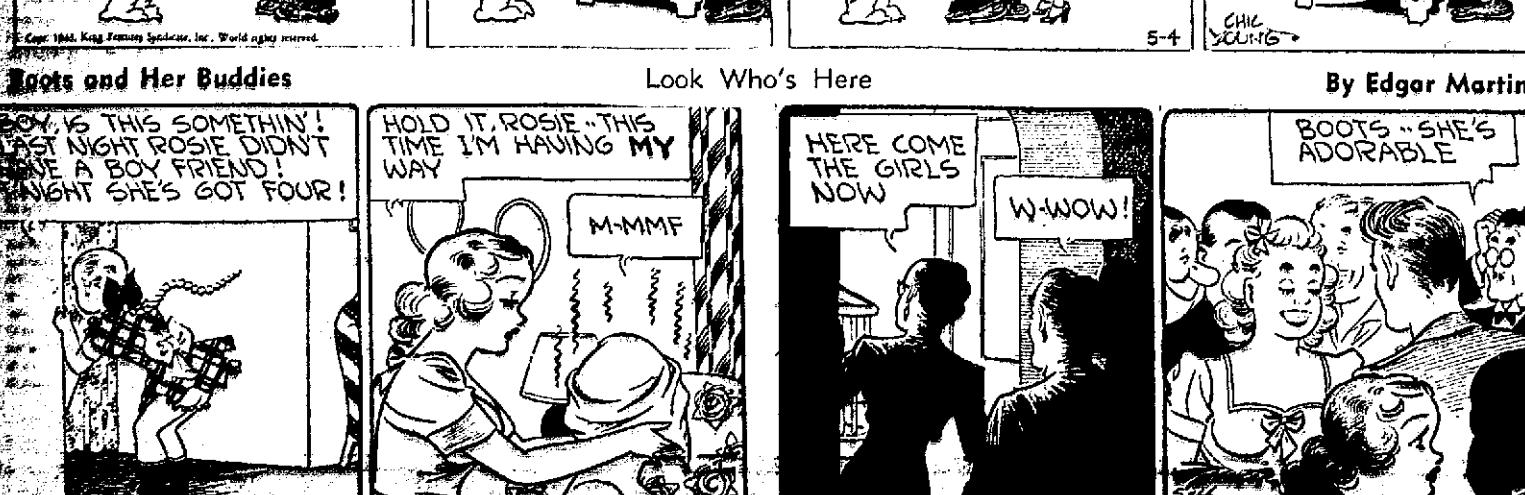
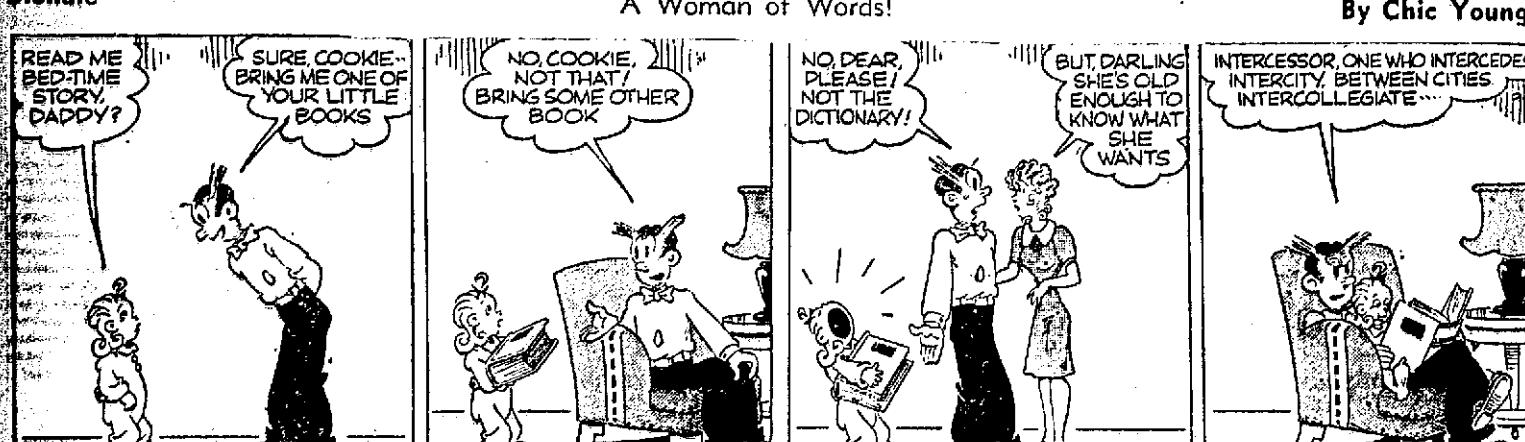
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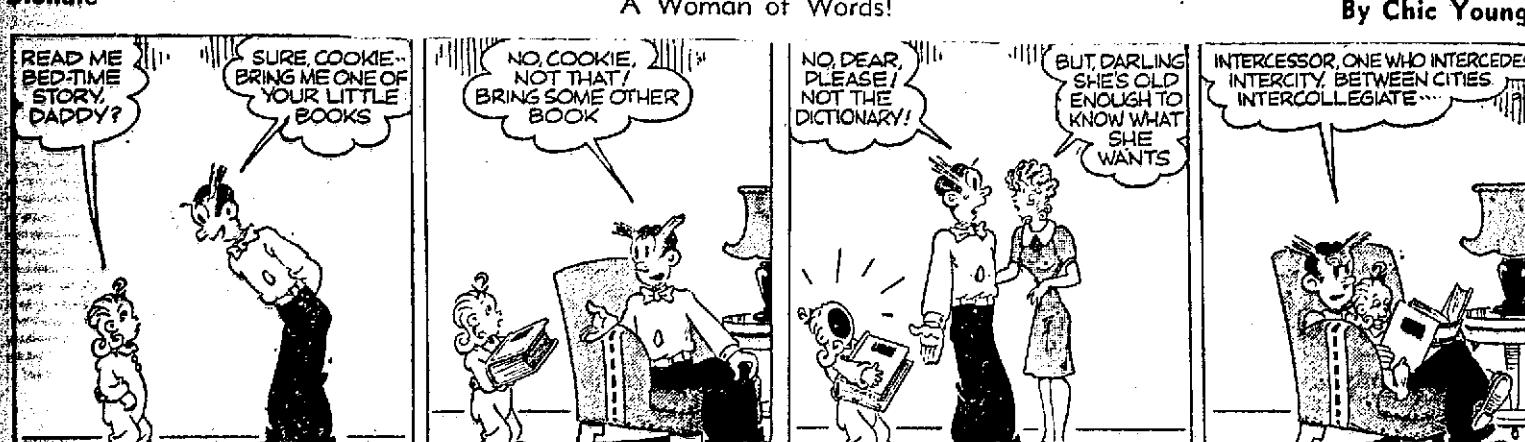
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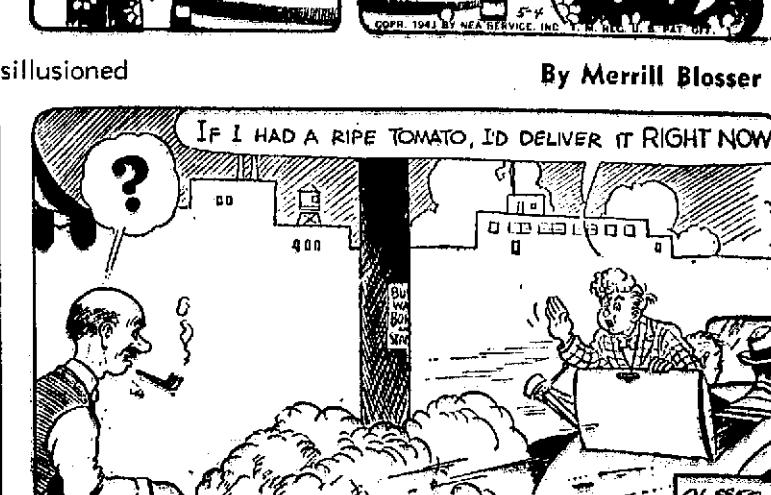
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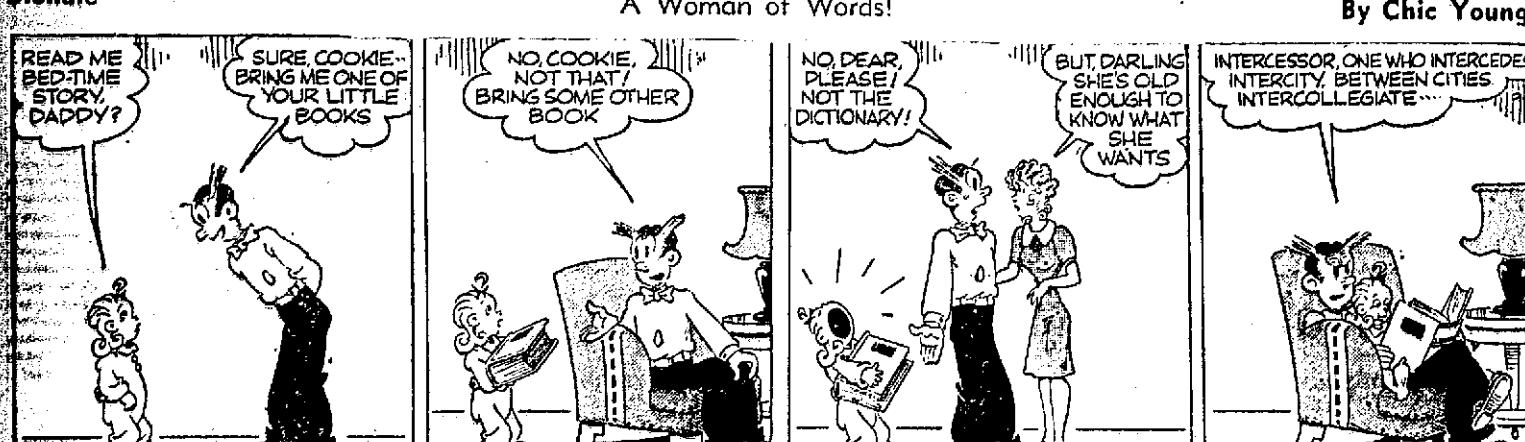
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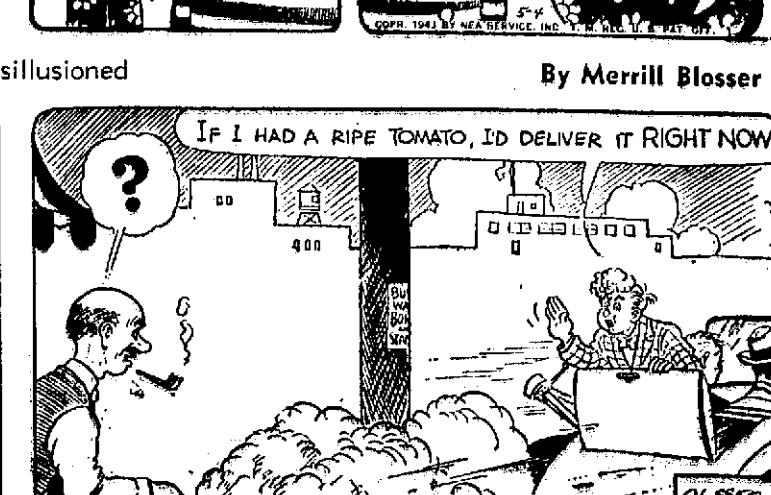
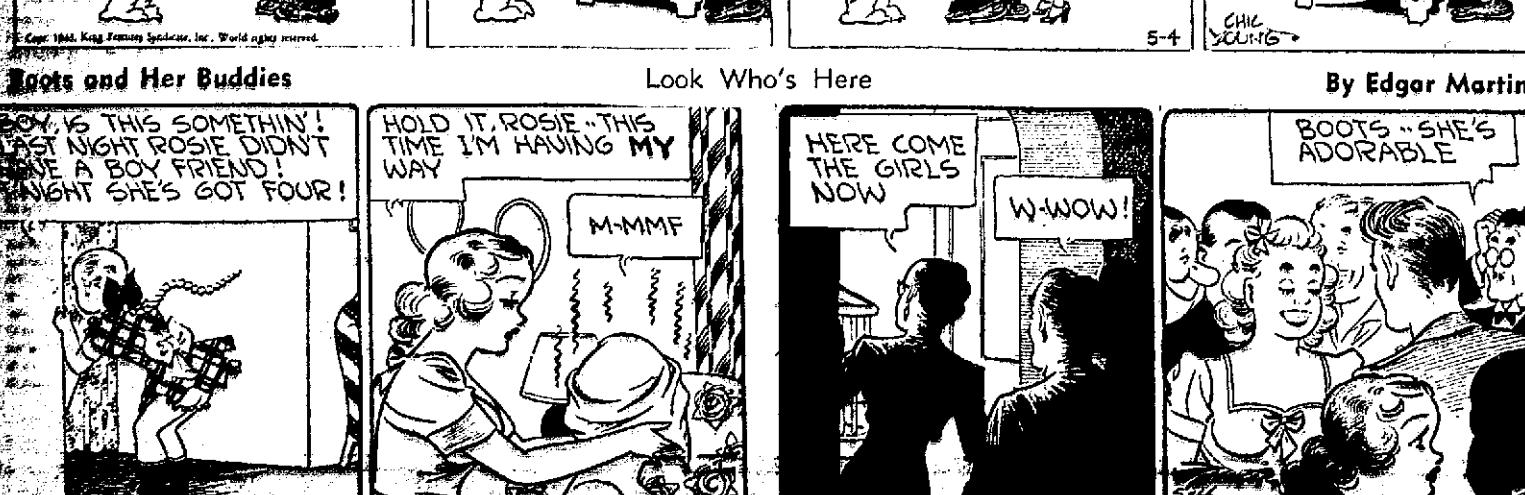
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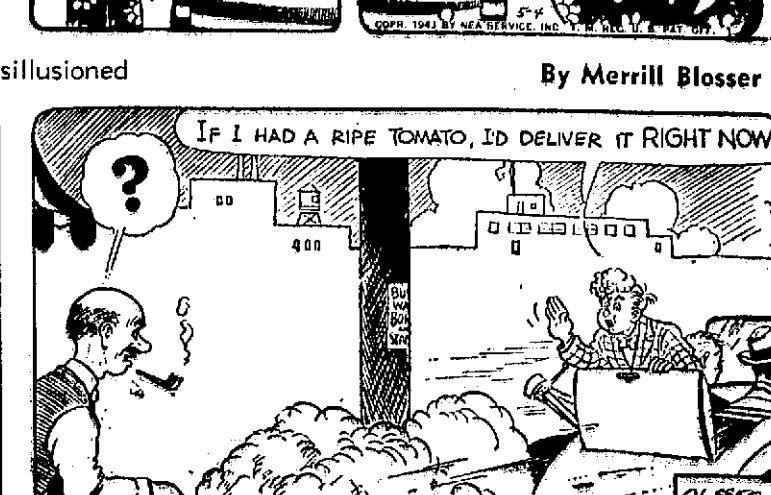
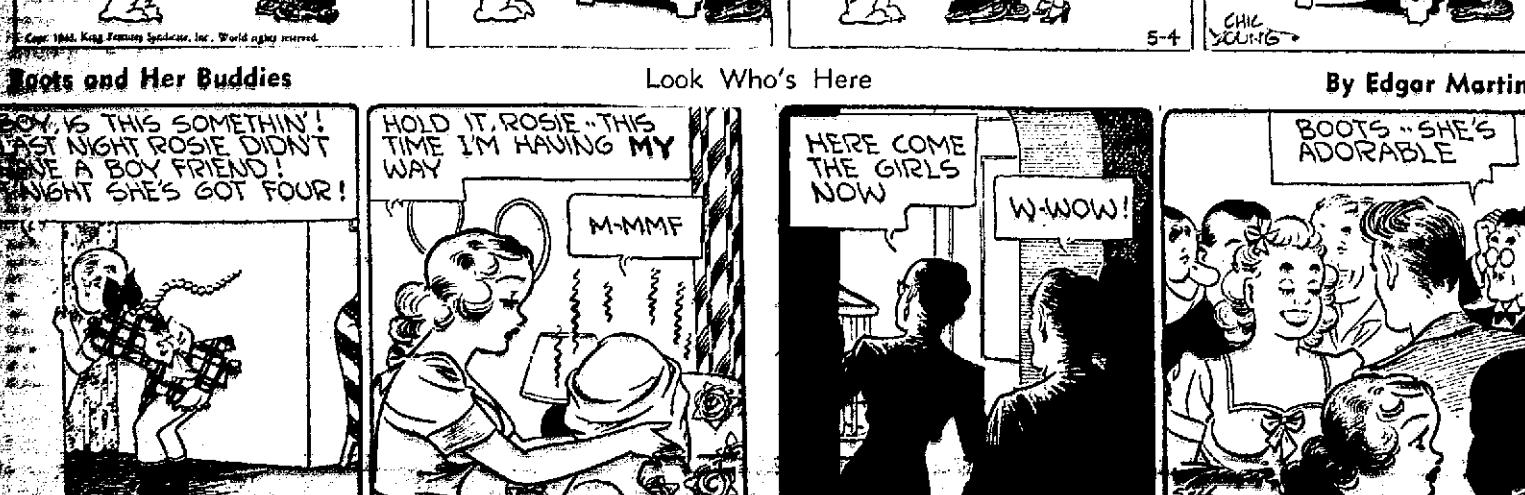
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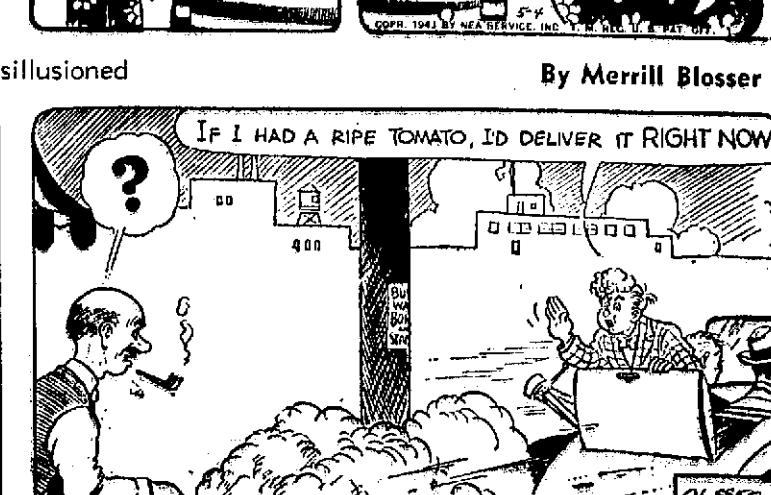
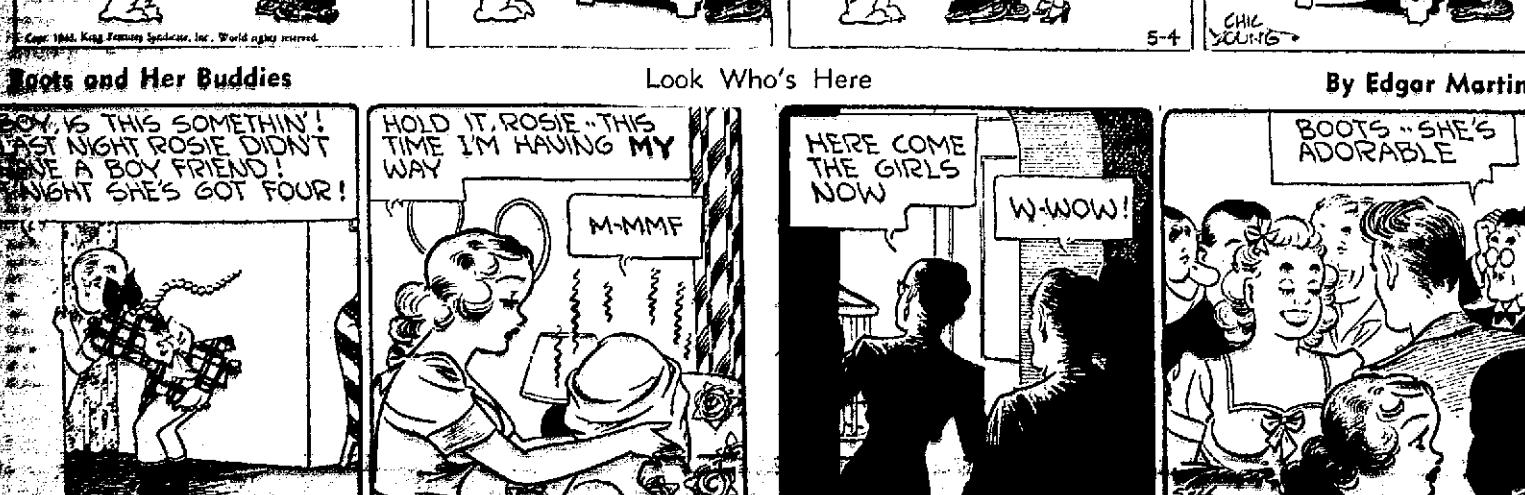
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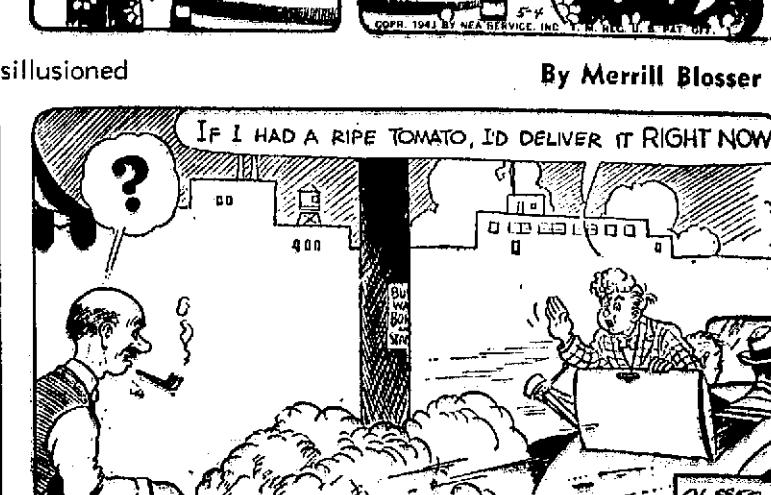
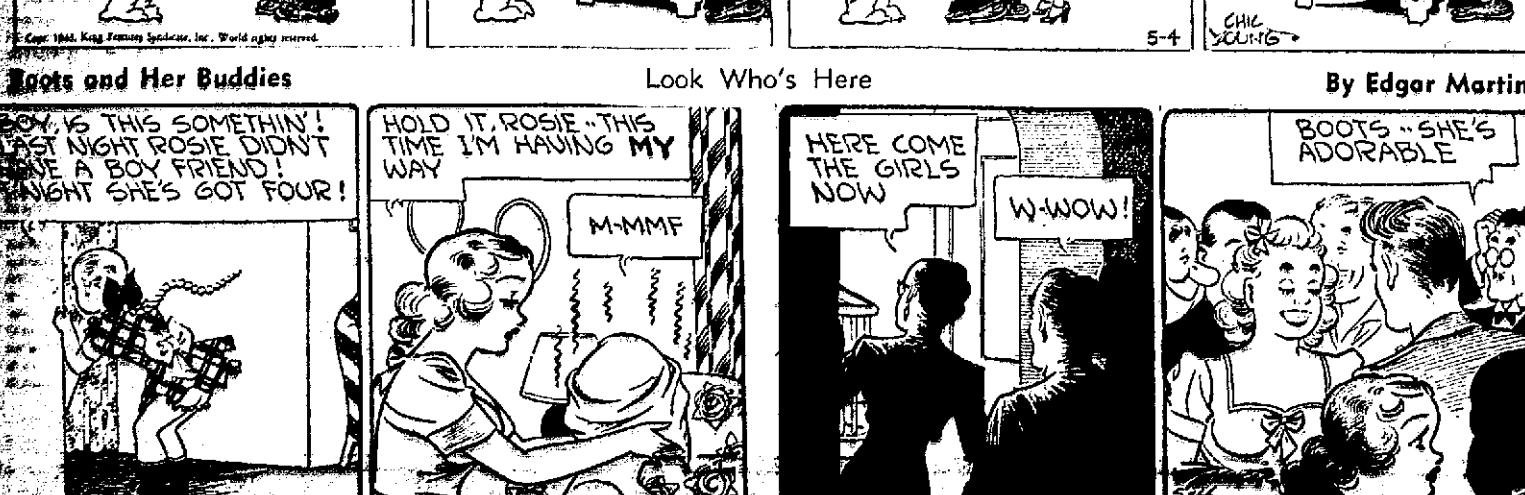
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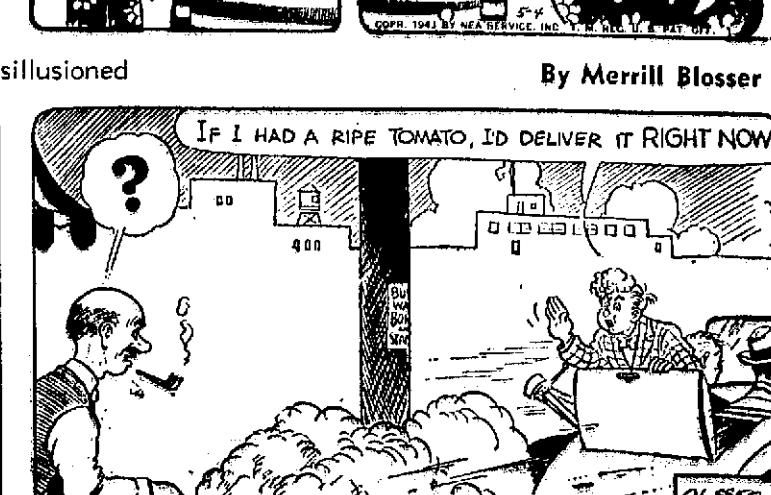
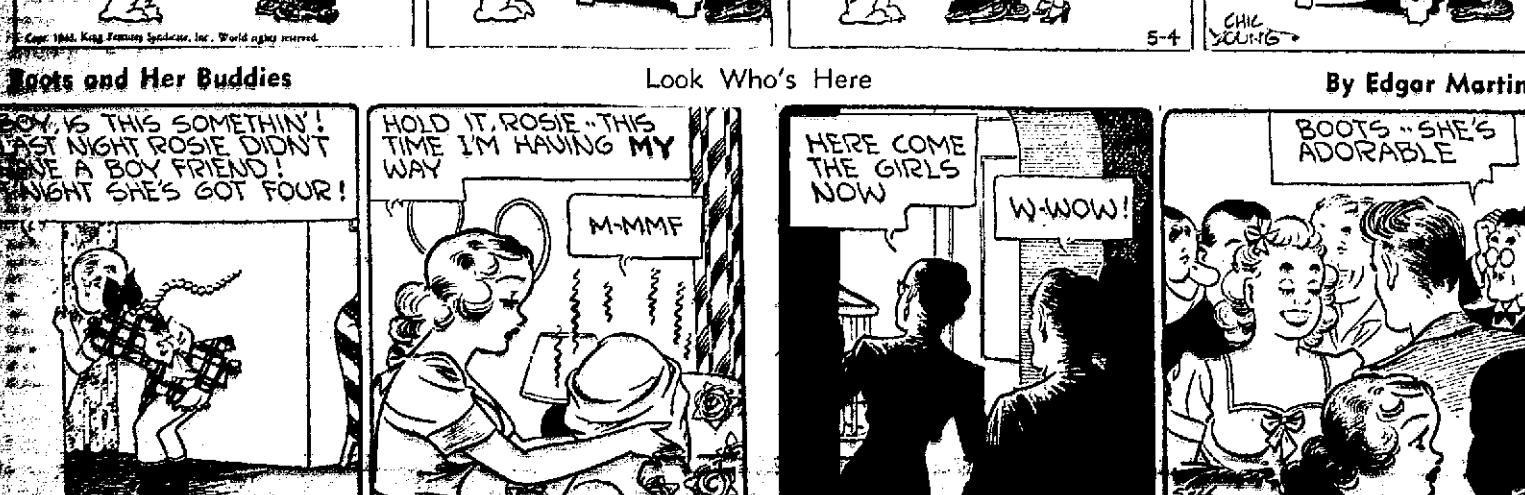
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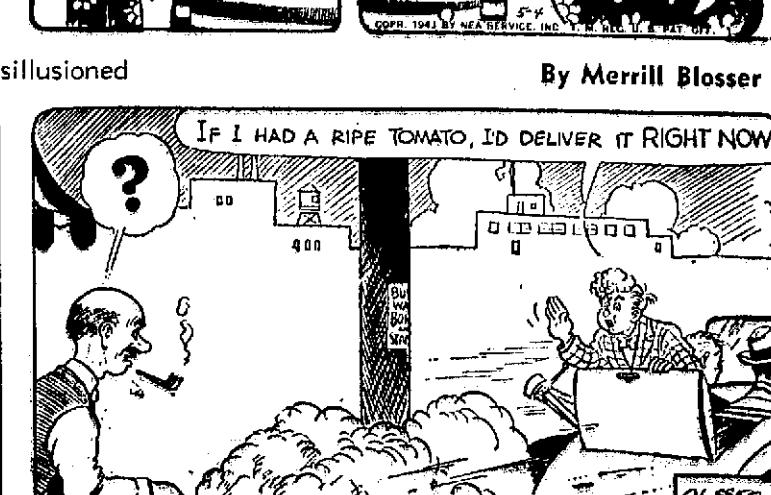
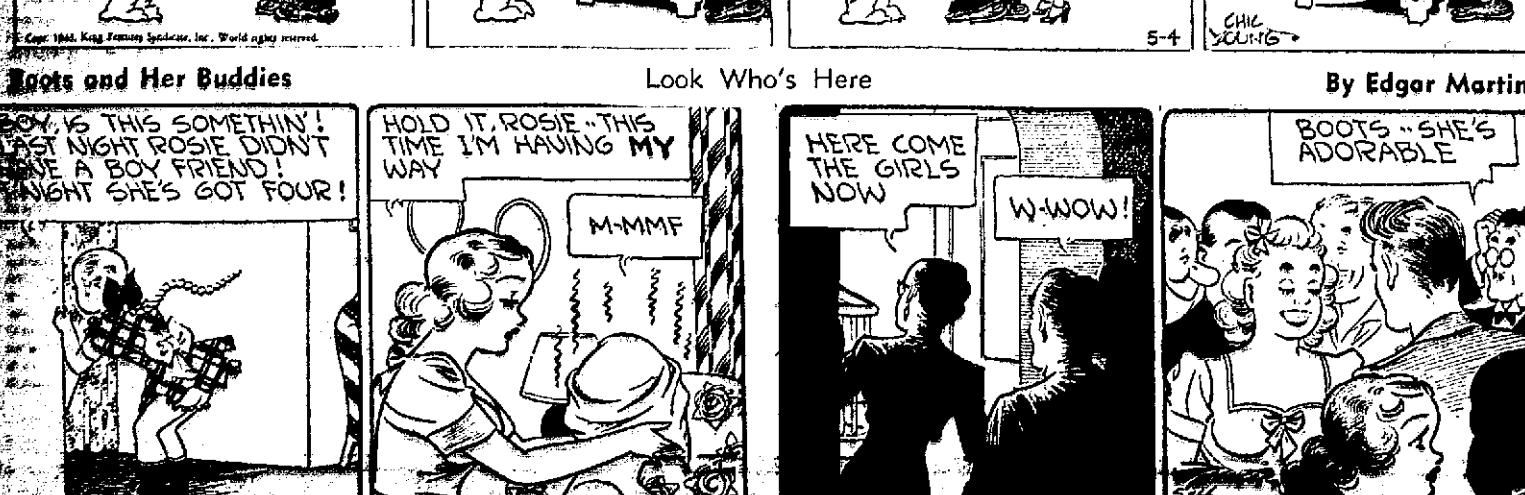
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Suspect Admits Rape-Slaying of Young Girl

St. Louis, May 4—(AP)—A few hours after the nude body of three-year-old Mary Jane Tankersley, slashed and bleeding, was found in a west-side pedestrian underpass, James Franklin, 21, led police by streetcar to the spot.

Detective Capt. Martin Cliffe said Franklin confessed the rape slaying of his neighborhood companion and explained he took the girl over the same streetcar route to the little-used underground passageway beneath a high-speed automobile highway.

Captain Cliffe said Franklin admitted tearing off the girl's clothing, choking her to hush her cries, and stabbing her with his pocketknife.

He quoted Franklin as saying of the assault, "She was half dead then, I decided to finish the job."

Chief of Detectives Fred Eggerth said the barrel-chested youth is being held on charges of murder and rape, pending an inquest.

A park watchman on his way to work found the body. Torn clothing was piled at the girl's head, and one end of a piece of underwear twisted about her throat was stuffed into her mouth. There was a knife wound in the throat and two in the chest.

Identification was made by the girl's father, William Tankersley, aircraft plant worker and former St. Louis police department clerk. He reported her missing shortly after she went out to play in the yard. Franklin's parents live in the same block.

Cliffe said Franklin spent some time in a state mental hospital a few years ago, after attacking a boy with a knife.

Franklin remarked at police headquarters as he signed a formal confession:

"I'm sorry I did it."

Today in Congress

By The Associated Press

Senate

May get motion to send plantation bill back to committee.

Truman committee hears rubber administrator Jeffers in rubber-gasoline "row."

Agriculture subcommittee hears agricultural commissioners on pace, Bankhead bills.

House

Seeks vote on pay-as-you-go tax plan.

Military committee studies manpower legislation.

Peanuts, pineapple, lima beans and guavas were among the fruits and vegetables first domesticated in Peru.

Ickes Places

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walkout found both sides still standing pat.

The War Labor Board was confident that President Roosevelt fully supported its jurisdiction, and that the case will be handled without any deviation from the normal war-time procedure.

And John L. Lewis asserted the United Mine Workers whom he ordered back to work today pending further negotiations, did not retreat when they agreed to the 15-day armistice — that they still refused to refer the case to the WLB.

The next step, he said, New York, is up to Fuel Administrator Harold L. Ickes, the appointed boss of the government-controlled coal fields.

Members of the board, on the other hand, expressed confidence in

Nutritious Greens Easy to Grow All Summer

Some nutritionists say that the vitamin-rich "green, leafy vegetables" should be served in some form once a day, to insure that your family has an abundance of vitamins.

If this is to be done, the Victory Garden must provide a good variety of these leaves; and some of the most important of them are served as cooked greens.

Of these, spinach is not the most important item. It can be grown for the early summer, to be harvested before hot weather sends it up to seed, but its place on the menu will be a few weeks only, while other greens can provide vitamin-rich green leaves for months.

Swiss chard, a member of the beet family, is one of the best. Sown in the early spring, it matures in 45 days. Its leaves may be cut off at the ground, and the roots will send up new crops until freezing kills them. Chard has a distinctive flavor which some prefer to spinach, and others do not.

New Zealand spinach, sown when the ground warms up, soon produces huge bushes of green leaves which taste like spinach, and may be cut as needed, while the plant continues to grow. One full grown plant will fill a bushel basket, and a row needs plenty of room to spread out.

The mustard family provides several varieties of greens. One known as Tendergreen will produce edible leaves in 21 days from sowing, and if the roots are left undisturbed will produce eight or nine crops in the season. All the mustards are quick growing, and are much esteemed in the southern states.

Garden sorrel is a hardy perennial, which will live over winter and produce greens. It does best in light shade.

their position after at least one of them conferred with Stabilization Director James F. Byrnes, and several of the public members flatly implied that they would resign if they lost control of the case.

In a statement issued after a meeting of the union's policy committee, Lewis repeated recent assertions that the miners are "no longer bound by the no-strike pledge," and that, by adopting the Little Steel wage formula, the WLB had "breached the understanding" between labor, employers, the public and the administration regarding wartime strikes.

Lewis said "the War Labor Board must accept the full responsibility" for the situation which he changed to "distress in the ranks of labor" — apparently replying to President Roosevelt's Sunday night speech in which he blamed the walkout of nearly half a million miners on the national union officials. He added the miners would stand pat on their original demands for \$2-a-day wage increases, portal-to-portal pay and unionization of minor bosses.

Since there was no statement from Ickes concerning his Sunday conference with Lewis, the capital speculates whether Lewis had obtained some concession from the government and bypassed the WLB. But none of the following available information seemed to indicate such a possibility:

1. President Roosevelt said in his Sunday night speech: "The first necessity is the resumption of coal mining. The terms of the old contract will be followed by the Secretary of the Interior [Ickes]. If an adjustment in wages results from a decision of the War Labor Board or from any new agreement between the operators and the miners which is approved by the War Labor Board, that adjustment will be made retroactive to April 1."

2. Presidential Secretary Stephen Early, commenting on the fact that Mr. Roosevelt made no reference to the 15-day strike truce, said the speech contained: "Not a word or statement that does not hold equally true two days from now, two weeks from now, two months from now or two years from now."

3. An authoritative government source who declined to be further identified said Secretary Ickes has "no power and no desire" to negotiate a contract, that his job is to get out the coal and that he is interested in a contract only insofar as the executive order directed him to restore the mines to the operators "as soon as he determines that possession and operation hereunder are no longer required for the furtherance of the war program." However, Labor Secretary Perkins said Ickes would confer with union leaders and operators and try to bring them together.

4. War Labor Board members said the three-man, fact-finding panel would resume hearings as soon as normal coal production was resumed. The hearings were suspended in accordance with board policy not to consider the merits of a case while production is interrupted.

5. The secretary of labor said no concessions or promises had been given Lewis — even concerning procedure.

Thus, the developments seemed to support the WLB stand that it will decide the dispute or will pass upon an agreement which adjusts wages.

Some sources speculated upon the possibility of a guaranteed six-day week deal which might not require board approval since there would be no increase in basic wage rates. The miners now have a contract providing for time and a half for work after 35 hours on the sixth working day of the week, but six days work is not guaranteed.

One operator spokesman, Edward R. Burke, president of the Southern Coal Association, said the association had no objection to guaranteeing a six-day week — as long as the present demand for coal continued.



From Grandma's Attic Trunk

Hand-me-downs made from scraps of grandmother's clothes seem to have captured the fancies of the Carleton children, enthusiastic young models in New York's "Make It Do" fashion show. Left to right they are Roger, 5; Sheryll, 3, and Winifred, 7 years old.

Kale is a fall and winter plant. Sown in June, the plants set out in rows two feet apart, will produce leaves which stand freezing, and are improved in flavor by that experience. Collards are a member of the cabbage family which do not make heads, but leaves with cabbage flavor.

All these varieties of greens are rich in minerals and vitamins, and are valuable in the diet. It is well for the home gardener to plant a small quantity of several kinds so that the family does not grow tired of greens. All produce a surprising quantity of food on small space.

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